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# CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

## POLE AND CONDUIT COMMISSION

831 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139



### POLE AND CONDUIT COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, May 18, 2023, at 9:00 A.M.

***This meeting is held remotely in accordance with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 adopted by Massachusetts General Court and approved by the Governor.***

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- New petition (220970) - Cambridge Department of Traffic, Parking and Transportation, 344 Broadway, Cambridge, MA 02139**, for the following: Broadway - Digging a 10 feet long trench to install conduit for a flashing beacon from an Eversource manhole to the beacon foundation.
- New petition (219153) - Cambridge Department of Traffic, Parking and Transportation, 344 Broadway, Cambridge, MA 02139**, for the following: Charles Street - Per Special Permit 231A requirements, the existing traffic signal controller on the northwest corner of the intersection between First Street and Charles Street will be removed, replaced, and relocated approximately 50 feet from its current location. The location of the controller on First Street will be moved to Charles Street. The traffic signal pole will be replaced and relocated 5 feet south of its current location. A new traffic signal pedestal button will be added to the southwest side of the intersection of First Street and Charles Street.
- New petition (216085) - Comcast, 426 E. First Street, Boston, MA 02127**, for the following: Binney Street - Starting at Utility Pole #28 on Fulkerson St, trench westerly 45' +/- to the private property line of 325 Binney St, installing (1) 4" PVC conduit. All work will be completed by the developer including curb to curb restoration. This is a sole path for Comcast for the building per the developer.
- New petition (216832) - Comcast, 426 E. First Street, Boston, MA 02127**, for the following: Binney Street - Starting at utility pole #7 on Coolidge Hill Road, trench westerly 127 feet +/- installing (1) 4-inch PVC conduit to (1) proposed 3'x3'x3' Comcast manhole. From the newly place manhole, trench northerly 23 feet +/- installing (1) 3-inch PVC conduit to the private property line of 21-25 Coolidge Hill Road. Also, from the newly placed manhole, trench northerly 115 feet +/- installing (1) 3-inch PVC conduit to the private property line of 27-29 Coolidge Hill Road/416 Mt. Auburn Street. This is required to re-feed the homes with Comcast service that are currently fed from the pole located on the property of 412 mt. Auburn Street that is being removed.
- New petition (209080) - Cambridge Network Solutions, 100 Quannapowitt Pkwy, Wakefield, MA 01880**, for the following: Vassar Street - On Vassar Street, from the base of utility pole #690/79 the proposed conduit will run east to the proposed Verizon manhole and the proposed CNS/Crown Castle joint owned manhole. The proposed conduit will run south across Vassar Street and then continue east, past Amesbury Street and Audrey Street. Once passed Audrey Street, the proposed conduit will run north across Vassar Street and terminate at the Verizon manhole #26/526D. The proposed conduit will be approximately 564 feet in total. A locus map of the area has been provided for reference.

6. **Continuation from April 27, 2023 to obtain updated engineer plans and for further review and site visit (213899)** - **Cambridge Network Solutions, 100 Quannapowitt Pkwy, Wakefield, MA 01880**, for the following: Main Street - Placing 60 feet of 4-inch conduit from Level 3 MH#0515-2700 located on Albany Street to private telephone MH at rear of 700 Main Street.
7. **Continuation from March 16, 2023 to obtain updated plan (210219)** - **Cambridge Network Solutions, 100 Quannapowitt Pkwy, Wakefield, MA 01880**, for the following: Ames Street - Trench and place (2) 4-inch PVC conduits (1 CNS & 1 City Shadow) from existing CNS conduit to 135 Broadway to proposed HH #1. Trench and place (2) 4-inch PVC conduits (1 CNS & 1 City Shadow) from proposed HH#1 to 77 Ames Street. Trench and place (1) 4-inch PVC conduit stub from HH #1. The work is being done between 135 Broadway and 77 Ames St.
8. **Continuation from July 15, 2022, for test pits and updated engineer plan to show other utilities (181012)** - **Verizon New England, 85 High St, 3rd Fl, Pawtucket, RI 02860**, for the following: Main Street - Verizon to trench roadway 762 feet from MH26/19 to MH26/20 to MH26/21 on Main Street to place and splice new conduit.
9. **New petition (216722)** - **Verizon New England, 85 High Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Pawtucket, RI 02860**, for the following: Main Street - Verizon to trench roadway 79' from manhole MH 26/21 onto the property of 314 Main Street to place and splice new conduit.
10. **New petition (218628)** - **Verizon New England, 85 High Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Pawtucket, RI 02860**, for the following: Whittemore Ave - Verizon to place 5 feet of conduit off of the existing pole 728/24, to 36-64 Whittemore Avenue, and to place five feet of conduit off of the existing pole 728/12, to 36-64 Whittemore Avenue.
11. **New petition (218593)** - **Verizon New England, 85 High Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Pawtucket, RI 02860**, for the following: Cambridge Street - Verizon to trench 102 feet from existing pole 22 to proposed handhole to be placed by Crown Castle at 1746 Cambridge Street to place and splice new conduit. This is part of a joint trench with Crown Castle (VP188517).
12. **New petition (218592)** - **Verizon New England, 85 High Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Pawtucket, RI 02860**, for the following: Hovey Ave - Verizon to trench roadway to place 52 feet of conduit from existing manhole MH 26/413 to proposed handhole to be placed by Crown Castle at 3 Hovey Ave to place and splice new conduit. This is part of a joint trench with Crown Castle (VP188515).
13. **New petition (218584)** - **Verizon New England, 85 High Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Pawtucket, RI 02860**, for the following: Brattle Street - Verizon to trench roadway 28 feet from existing manhole MH 26/389 to proposed handhole to be placed by Crown Castle at 4 Brattle Street to place and splice new conduit. This is part of a joint trench with Crown Castle (VP162020).
14. **New petition (218582)** - **Verizon New England, 85 High Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Pawtucket, RI 02860**, for the following: Hovey Ave - Verizon to place 2 new poles, P.4A and P.4B, also to remove existing pole P.6 from 44-78 Hovey Ave.
15. **New petition (220202)** - **Eversource Energy, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143**, for the following: Fayerweather Street - Southerly from pole 255/19, thence turning and running westerly, approximately 90 feet south of Reservoir Street to private property at 27 Fayerweather Street, install approximately 12 feet of conduit.

16. **New petition (220210) - Eversource Energy, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143**, for the following:  
Norfolk Street - Southwesterly from MHC2849, thence turning and running southeasterly, approximately 138 feet northeast of Massachusetts Avenue, install approximately 58 feet of conduit.
17. **New petition (220220) - Eversource Energy, 101 Linwood Street, Somerville, MA 02143**, for the following:  
Windsor Street - At the intersection of School Street, southerly from MHC1414 to MHC744, install approximately 295 feet of conduit.
18. **Consideration of April 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

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